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HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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FUNDS FOR SPECIAL BRANCHES OF POLICE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government had asked the State Governments to earmark at least 10 per cent of their funds for strengthening their special branches of police and the ground level intelligence gathering mechanism;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the State Governments in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRI PRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (c): With a view to give special focus on strengthening the set-up for intelligence gathering, four naxal affected States of Chhattisgarh, Bihar, Jharkhand and Orissa were initially asked to prepare a sub-plan in this regard as a part of the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces (MPF Scheme) in the year 2007-08. Accordingly, the sub-plans submitted by the States have provision for modern equipments required for intelligence gathering.
All the States have also been asked to earmark up to 5% of the plan size under the MPF Scheme towards strengthening of special branches from the year 2008-09.